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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 19, 2002, please amend the
above-identified application as follows:

In The Claims

Please replace claims 1-11 and 13-16 as shown below. A marked up version
of the amended claims is attached to this Amendment.

1. (amended) A method for controlling idle speed of an engine in a hybrid
electric vehicle including a generator that is operatively coupled to the engine, the method
comprising:

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